KANSAS CITY, KAS.

THE Branch Office of the Journal has removed to Room E, Husted building, where all advertisements and items of news will receive prompt attention. Any complaints as to the delivery of the paper will be speedily remedied if notice is given.

Telephone West 23.

THE WAR IN CUBA

retail dealers are waging on prices of groceries. Each one thinks he has got down to bedrock, but in looking over the following list you will find that all former quotations are but a starter:

7 pounds best Granulated Sugar, 25c; only one package to each customer. Best solid packed Tomatoes, 5c per can; dso Sugar Corn, 5c per can or 6 cans for Gur.powder Tea, worth 50c pound, will be old for 55c. All other Teas at same re-

duetter.

2 bars fine Toilet Soap, 5c; 2 bars Water Queen Soap, 5c; 5 bars Fern Soap, 10c; 5 bars Sunflower Soap (large bars), 15c.

Columbian Oat Flake, 5c pkg.; 6 for 25c, 10c can Baking Powder, 5c.

20c Coffee, 15c pound; 25c Coffee, 20c.
Choice Lemong, 8c doz.; choice sweet Oranges, 10c doz.

Fresh Tomatoes, 5c pound; fresh Lettuce and Onions. Strawberries will be on sale next week.

Store closes at 8 o'clock sharp except Saturday night. Also will be closed all day Sundays.

Goods delivered to all parts of city, "L'

JUNCTION Grocery, Meat & Provision Market

CHARLES SMITH . . . Proprietor. 1900-1902 N. 5th St. Kansas City, Kas.

PAY YOUR GAS BILLS

On or before the 10th and secure the discount.

WYANDOTTE GAS

HEREBY announce myself as a candidate for the office of

CITY TREASURER. subject to the decision of the Republican convention or primaries.

JOHN A. ADAMS.

SHRINKAGE of Values Reduced to Min-WULF'S LAUNDRY

To be Laundered. Distilled Water Used in the Operation. H. F. WULF, Prop., Fifth and State.

The only place in Kansas City, Ras.
The only place in Kansas where the
Genuine Keeley Remedles and Treatent for Alcohol and Narcotic Addictions are administered. Address as above.

MAY CAUSE TROUBLE

POSTMASTER'S ORDER RELATING TO MAIL OF JOINTISTS.

OFFICIAL INQUIRY WILL BE MADE

FITZHUGH SAYS THE CARRIERS MIS-UNDERSTOOD HIM.

Anti-Cigarette Ordinance Meets at Easy Death-B. S. Smith Withdraws From the Race for Justice-Crook of Long Experience Jailed.

Washington, March 9 .- (Special.) The or der recently issued by Postmaster Fitzhugh of Kansas City, Kas., prohibiting carriers from delivering mail to jointists is very prone to get him into trouble. Complaint that the postmaster had issued such orders was made to the postoffice department to day, and an official inquiry has been ordered as a preliminary investigation. It seems to be altogether too much for the department to believe than any postmaster would arbitrarily interfere with the delivery of United States mail on a strictly sec-tional construction of public virtue, and before taking any steps looking to an investigation and the removal of the offenger has sent out an inquiry to find whether the charge is based on facts. This action will probably be followed promptly with ar order for Fitzhugh's removal, if the report is verified, and the time seems opportune for some of the Kansas City scalp hunters to file a lien on that particular postoffice

Postmaster Fitzhugh claims that the mail carriers misconstrued the meaning of his order relative to the delivery of mail hended the confusion the same had caused he immediately called the carriers togeth and informed them that he meant that they should not enter the portion of the they should not enter the portion of the building occupied by the bar, but instead should leave all mail at the entrance of the joints. All of the saloons in this city have screens or partitions in the front of the rooms to shield the fixtures from the passerby on the street

WEARING OUT A CASE.

How the Attorneys for Insurance Companies Have Retarded the Payment of a Claim.

Payment of a Claim.

Hon, C. F. Hutchings, one of the attorneys of Mrs. Salhe Hillmon in the famous insurance case, was asked by a reporter for The Journal about the recent order of Webb McNail, superintendent of Insurance, debarring the New York Life and other companies from doing business in Kansas on account of alleged unfair and oppressive treatment of his client. In reply Mr. Hutchings bitterly said:

"The Hillmon case has been tried five times, and consequently the judgment of sixty different jurors from all parts of the state has been taken on the merits of Mrs. Hillmon's claim. Forty-eight of these sixty jurors have decided in her favor and one jury gave her a verdict which was reversed upon a mere technicality. The fact that John W. Hillmon was accidentally killed and buried in the Lawrence cemetery more than fifteen years ago is not doubted by anyone who is conversant with the facts and not in the employ of the companies, and neither of these companies ever expect that a jury can be found that will give a verdict in their favor. Three of the weal-thiest corporations are pitted against the plaintiff, a penniless woman, and notwithstanding the unequal contest, the com-

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panies have always found means to enlist the public press against her, so that no fair statement of the case has ever reached the public. Just before each trial, the newspapers far and wide have published wholly false and sensational reports that Hillmon had been found and would be produced, and during the trials the evidence of but one side, that of the insurance companies, has generally been published. For years the insurance companies have been attempting to drive her out of court by demanding excessive security for costs. In order to wear her out, notices have been given to take depositions at remote and inaccessible points in Mexico and the Rocky mountains, and after her counsel had at great expense made long trips to cross-examine witnesses, no witnesses would be produced, or examined, or some scallawag who had no knowledge of any relevant fact in the case would be called and asked a few questions. Boasts have been made that the companies would wear out her attorneys and get the cases dismissed because she could not give security for costs. It was publicly reported during the last trial, and the report found its way into the newspapers, that the president of one of these companies boasted in Wichita that his company had spent more than \$5.000 in attempting to defeat Mrs. Hillmon's claim. "Recently an attempt has been made to prejudice the case by circulating the story that Mrs. Hillmon has no further interest in the claim, having transferred it to a syndicate of lawyers. This report was started during the last trial at Topeka, and was published at the request of the insurance companies, for which they paid the usual advertising rate. The report is absolutely false, the only arrangement of any kind made by Mrs. Hillmon being the issual agreement to pay her attorneys a contingent fee for their services. These agreements are particularly obnoxious to insurance companies have never expected to defeat Mrs. Hillmon's claim by contesting it on its merits. They have constantly endeavored to drive her out of court

CROOK OF LONG EXPERIENCE.

William Jones, Charged With Burglarizing the Home of C. Disc. Occupies Cell in County Jail.

Willam Jones, a crook of many aliases, is occupying a cell in the county jail, and will in all prebability land in the Kansas pententiary. The charge upon which he is being held is robbing the home of Charles Diss, on Armstrong avenue, Monday night. The plunder stellen from the Diss home was found in his possession at the time of his arrest and several other the time of his arrest and several other robberies have been positively traced to his door. Jones was arrested by a railroad detective in the Missouri Pacific yards on the Missouri side at an early hour Tuesday mornings. He was taken to the police station on St. Louis avenue and was afterward brought to this side. He carried a bundle of clothing at the time of his arrest which was identified as the property of Mr. Diss. A pair of cuff buttons recognized as the property of B. M. McKinnon was also found in the pockets of Jones. The prisoner wore a pair of pants that were stolen from the home of C. D. Elston, at 1915 North Mill street on the night of Fberuary 13.

Detectives Walsh and Cahill questioned

were stolen from the home of C. D. Elston. at 1815 North Mill street on the night of Fberuary 13.

Detectives Walsh and Cahill questioned the prisoner for more than an hour and finally succeeded in getting him to confess to robbing the McKinnon home and got him to divulge the whereabouts of a solid gold watch which he had stolen from that place. The watch was found at a pawnshop on Main street in Kansas City, Mo., where he had pawned it for 4.

The arrest of Jones is the best capture made here for some time. He has been operating as burglar in the cities of Atchison. St. Joseph, Leavenworth, Lincoln, Omaha, Nebraska City, Fall City, Neb., Kansas City, Kas., and Kansas City, Mo. He has served one term in the Lansing penitentiary for burglary. The police are confident that Jones is the man that committed the following robberies: C. D. Elston, 1915 North Mill street; B. M. McKinnon, 809 Parallel avenue; E. A. Powell, 805 Troup avenue, and J. Hall, 807 Troup avenue. These robberies were committed on the same night and the houses are located in the same night and the houses are located in the same night of Mr. Diss, which Jones en-

the same night and the houses are located in the same neighborhood.

The home of Mr. Diss, which Jones entered Monday night, has been robbed four times during the past year, each time the robbers carrying away some of Mr. Diss' clothing. When he awoke yesterday morning and discovered that his home had been robbed again and his last suit of clothes stolen, he was in a dilemma as to how he would get out on the street in order to report the robbery. His wife came to his rescue by calling on a neighbor and borrowing a suit of men's clothes until her husband could visit the nearest clothing store. Jones will be turned over to the state authorities to-day. state authorities to-day.

COUNCIL MEETING.

Chicago Great Western and Street Paving-Anti-Cigarette Ordinance Met an Easy Death.

Met an Easy Death.

The city council last night took action on several important matters. It was reported that the Chicago Great Western Railroad Company had failed to live up to its contract with the city, which provides for the grading of the streets around the Maple Leaf elevator. Manager John Liggett, of the Kansas City Basket Manufacturing Company, was present and stated that the streets in the vicinity of the elevator were in very bad condition. He stated that one of his wagons loaded with baskets became stuck in the mire there the other day and it required four horses and a switch engine to release it. To further convince the council that the streets needed repairs he cited a case where a colored man was driving a horse attached to a spring wagon on a street next to the elevator when the animal sunk to its body in the soft earth. He stated that it was necessary to roll the horse over and over in order, to get him out. The councilmen, after listening to these stories, passed a resolution instructing the Maple Leaf people to proceed to pave these streets within ten days or action on their bond would hance met an easy death. Before he had a

be brought.
Alderman Simpson's anti-cigarette ordinance met an easy death. Before he had a chance to present it to the council he was informed by the legal department that the council he was informed by the legal department. there was already a city ordinance prohibiting the sale of cigarettes to minors unde 18 years. However, he received some consolation by getting a resolution adopted in structing the police department to enforc the old ordinance.

WARD COMMITTEES.

Mrs. Jennie Maher, President of the Equal Suffrage Club, Names a Number of Assistants.

Mrs. Jennie Maher, president of the Equal Suffrage Club, has completed the work of naming the ward committees. At a recent meeting of the club all the committees were named for all the wards with the exception of the First and Sixth wards, and this was done yesterday. The ladies who will get the women votes out in the Pirst ward are: Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Handran and Mrs. Kennedy. Sixth ward-Mrs. Amanda Pollman, wife of ex-Alderman Pollman, e29 South Fifth street; Mrs. Anne E. Ashurst and Mrs. Linnie Pollock, wife of City Attorney Pollock.

Another Armour Suit.

Another Armour, Suit.

J. J. Müller brought suit in the common pleas court yesterday against George W. Tourtellot, J. M. Fulton, the Armour Packing Company and B. F. Tillery, for \$25,099 damages. A similar suit was filed Saturday by J. J. Malloy and a like amount asked for. The plaintiff alleges that on the afternoon of November 28, B. F. Tillery, acting as constable, and at the instigation fo his co-defendants, unlawfully and forcibly arrested, and caused his incarceration in the county jail. He claims that he was falsely imprisoned from Saturday until Monday, when he was released upon a writ of hubeas corpus. He alleges that his arrest and confinement in the county jail was due to no other reason than to satisfy a revengeful prejudice on the part of the defendants.

It will be remembered that Miller and Malloy were arrested for circulating notices of boycott on the retail meatshop, managed by H. M. Taylor. The Armour Packing Company and the union labor people of this city are at "outs" and when the labor people learned that Taylor's establishment was an Armour concern they speedily placed a boycott on it.

Henry Secrey, aged 46, and Josephine Robinson, aged 37, were united in marriage yesterday morning by Probate Judge Herr. The groom is from Desoto, Kas., and the bride gave her residence at Kansas City, Mo.

Bill to Compromise Road Bonds. Topeka, Kas., March 9.—(Special.) Among se to-night was the one authorizing commissioners of Wyandotte county

to vote bonds, to compromise the illegal road certificates issued by them to pay for the improvement of county roads under the Buchan road law, which has been de-clared unconstitutional by the state supreme court.

FUSION DEAL NOT MADE. All Bets May Be Declared Off in the Near Future-Silver Republic-

nus and Pops at Outs.

The fusion deal between the free silver Republicans, Populists and Democrats is not consumated, and from present indications all bets will be declared off in the immediate future. Some time ago the free silver Republicans indorsed Judge J. S. Stockton, a prominent free silver leader, for mayor. Stockton's candidacy was not agreeable to the Pops and Democrats, and a boom was started in behalf of City Treasurer J. W. Ferguson, who was a hard working free silver Republican during the last campaign, and who resembles a Populist or Democrat more than does Judge Stockton. The Pops and Democrats looked over their stock of mayoralty supplies and discovered that they did not possess a single plece of timber that was capable of filling the high office of mayor. The first step to be taken by the manipulators was to entice the free silver Republicans into a fusion combination by allowing them to furnish the material for a mayoralty nominee. The free silverites realized that as a party they were rather in the minority and would be unable to land anything single-handed, and they accepted the "generous" offer of the good Samaritans. They went to work and indorsed Judge Stockton. The Democrats and Populists became offended at the hasty actions of the silverites, as they claimed that they should have been consulted in the selection of the candidate. The London Heights Free Silver Club, which is one of the largest silver clubs in the city, and which body was the first to indorse the candidacy of Judge Stockton, held a meeting last evening and rescinded its former action by adopting the following resolution:

"Whereas, This club passed a resolution at a recent meeting indorsing Judge J Se ans and Pops at Outs. tion:
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at a recent meeting indorsing Judge J. S.
Stockton for mayor of Kansas City, Kas.,

Stockton for may and,
and,
"Whereas, It is ascertained to a certainty
that he will not be nominated on the fusion
ticket, therefore be it
"Resolved, That we hereby recind, by a
vote of this club, the said resolution." Wants \$2,000 Damages.

George Cooke brought suit in the court of common pleas yesterday to recover \$2,000 damages from the Metropolitan Street Railway Company. He stood on the rear platform of a car as it turned the curve at Eighteenth and Olive streets last Fri-day. The car left the track, throwing Cooke against the car door with violence.

Smith Doesn't Want Office.

B. S. Smith, the colored lawyer and exalderman, has withdrawn from the race for justice of the peace from the Second district, in favor of Tilford Davis, Jr. Davis is a young colored school teacher, and is very popular among the colored people of this city. Mr. Simpson's Residence Burned.

The residence of Alderman C. M. Simpson, at \$34 Garfield avenue, burned early this morning. Owing to the location the fire department was unable to quench the flames and the house and contents were destroyed. The loss is about \$1,000. Howard Dunham Held Up.

It was reported to the police last night that Howard Dunham, manager. of the Ally stove factory, while on his way to his home at \$29 Pyle avenue, was held up and robbed by two footpads of a gold watch

METROPOLIS MISCELLANY. Desk room to rent. Journal office. Room E. Husted building

ARMOURDALE.

J. A. Pease, of Boonville, N. Y., is visiting O. G. Maurer. Edwin Finley, of Girard, Kas., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Harris. Charles Moffit, of Fayette, Mo., is visiting his brother. He contemplates making Ar-mourdale his future home.

Pacific place will receive improvements owing to Mat Corbett and James Buchan awarding contracts for two new residences. James Buchan will have erected a building worth \$1,290, while Corbett will build both a house and barn valued at \$1,590, Messrs. George Ross and William Fleming have the contracts for the construction of the buildings.

ARGENTINE.

Mrs. Edward Higgars will entertain the The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Kelly, of North Argentine, gave them a very pleasant surprise at their home on last Mandale consider.

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Clarence Balley, colored, who was arrested last week on the charge of assaulting his brother, was discharged in Justice Trowbridge's court yesterday.

Trowbridge I. F. Trowbridge received in Prediction I. F. Trowbridge received in I. F. Trow Justice J. F. Trowbridge received in-formation yesterday that his son, Fred Trowbridge, had secured a position in the county treasurer's office at Fresno, Cal.

The council met in regular session las night and transacted the regular month ly routine business. The reports of the various city officers were received and filed.

Rev. C. E. Cushman, pastor of the Congregational church, left last night for Olathe, to attend the meeting of the Eastern Association of the Congregational de-

nomination.

Mrs. Emma Wall, department commanders of the Woman's Relief Corps, of Kansas, would like to meet all members of the order and those interested in it at the home of Mrs. D. V. Wootin, of South Seventh street, this afternoon, for the purpose of organizing.

The citizens' primaries for the election of delegates to the city convention to be lied at the city hall Saturday, for the purpose of nominating the several city officers to be elected this spring, will be held

pose of nominating the several city offi-cers to be elected this spring, will be held this afternoon and evening. There will be two sets of delegates in all the wards, with the possible exception of the Fourth. A warm time is anticipated, as this con-vention is expected to name "the winners." vention is expected to name "the winners."

Miss Rosa Bailey, who was burned Monday evening, at Mrs. R. A. Helferstay's restaurant, while attempting to light the fire in a cooking stove with coal oil, as told in the second edition of yesterday's Journal, died yesterday morning at 3:20 o'clock. The funeral will be held this afternoon from the First Baptist church, corner First street and Ruby avenue, at 1:30 o'clock. The services will be conducted by Rev. J. R. Streeter, of Armourdale, under the armices of the Knights and Ladies of the Fireside, of which the deceased was a member. Burial will be in the Argentine cemetery.

ROSEDALE.

M. A. Stadler started to rebuild his residence, which was destroyed by fire recently.

Tim Lyon's joint was closed yesterday, but it is not known how long it will remain so There will be a musical and literary en-tertainment at the Plymouth church to-morrow night. Charles Stilwell is dangerously Ill at his

ome on the Southwest boulevard with There will be a literary and musica catertanment at the M. E. church Friday evening for the benefit of the church. Clark & Harvey's Concert Club will give a concert at McGeorge's hall to-night, Doors open at 7:30, curtain rises at 8:15

William and Caleb Whitehouse were is-

sued letters of administration yesterday on the estate of Maranda Whitehouse, de-

ceased.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to James E. Lowe and Cora Williams.

Rev. Albert Jump left yesterday to attend the annual conference of the M. E. church at Nevada. Mo.

J. C. Marshal contemplates starting a wholesale tobacco plant, and is in the city investigating properties. Mr. Marshal will appear before the Commercial Club with his plans. is plans.

The Misses Dickey, of 2117 Minnie avenue,
will entertain the Vigint

The Misses Dickey, of 215 Minnie avenue, Kansas City, will entertain the Viginti Club of this city to-day.

Mrs. G. L. Compton is visiting relatives and friends at Blue Springs,

A poultry association was formed in this city yesterday afternoon. Many prominent fanciers of Eastern Jackson county were present. L. W. Baldwin was elected president; Peter Menich, vice president, rand William Bostian, secretary and treasurer. After some discussion it was decided to hold a poultry show during November next. The organization will meet every two weeks.

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A telegram was received in this city yesterday from Marshall, Mo., announcing the sudden death of Mrs. Schooling Chapline at that place. Mrs. Chapline formerly lived in this city, where she was one of the popular society leaders. Her sudden death caused considerable surprise among the many friends of the family in this city.

THE NEWS AT LEAVENWORTH. Soldiers' Home Veteran Sues the Elec-

trie Railway Company for

Damages-Miscellaneous.

James Dunn a veteran of the Soldiers home, began suit in the district court yesterday to recover \$1,900 damages from the Leavenworth Electric Railway Company. The plaintiff alleges that on the night of February 28, he got on an electric car and tendered the conductor the usual fare to be conveyed to the home; that the conductor refused to accept the fare tendered him and compelled the plaintiff to leave the car. Plaintiff alleges that while getting off of the car the conductor caused the car to move forward suddenly, causing him to be thrown violently upon his face and otherwise wounding and glving him pain and injury. He says that he was compelled though wounded and bleeding to walk to the home through the darkness, a distance of over a mile, and that he was suffering at the time with disease. The plaintiff also alleges that by reason of being ejected from the car in an unlawful manner he missed rollcall and was marked absent without leave, in violation of the rules of the home; that he was arrested by the police of the home and confined in the guardhouse. He also alleges that he is an invalid, suffering from heart disease and other ailments and that by reason of the hojuries inflicted by the defendant's agents his health had been greatly damaged and he has been confined to his barracks in the Leavenworth Electric Railway Company. his health had been greatly damaged and he has been confined to his barracks in the

Mrs. Ford Gets a Divorce. There was only a short session of the district court yesterday and it was devoted to the trial of the Ford divorce case. When the case was called up the husband, Arthur Ford, did not make a defense and the plaintiff was granted a decree on the ground of gross neglect. She was also restored to her maiden name of Rose Compton. Judge Myers awarded the custody of the minor child of the couple to Mrs. Jane Ford.

ome ever since, under the doctor's care

Registration Books Open. The registration books were opened yesterday afternoon. There was a little rush at first and during the afternoon over 100 people registered. The books will be kept open during the day and until 9 o'clock at night suring the next two weeks. So far mostly Democrats have registered and Republicans should turn out and do so at once.

One Pleads Gullty.

The trial of "Pest" O'Bannon, Nick White and Lon Carter took place yesterday morning. White, who is a young man, pleaded guilty to grand larceny, while the others stood trial and were acquitted. White is to be taken before Judge Myers this week, when he will confess his guilt and it is understood that he will be sentenced to the state reformatory at Hutchinson.

A Veteran in Limbo. Emma Wager swore out a warrant yes-terday for the arrest of Dick Hoster, a veteran, who camps in the city and Sol-dlers' home by turn. Mrs. Wager alleges that Hoster came to her home recently and that he raised a disfurbance of no small dimensions. She says that he used vile language, made threats and did everything but act like a gentleman.

For Stealing Copper Wire.

I. M. Erb swore out a warrant yester-day for the arrest of Lon Carter, whom he charges with stealing copper wire. Carter is one of the gang of thieves arrested last week for breaking into Cohn's junk store and stealing copper and rubber. In all, Carter is accused of stealing 125 pounds of wire, which is worth 20 cents a pound.

Why don't you try Carter's Little Liver Pills? They are a positive cure for sick headache and all the ills produced by dis-

A Jumble of Love. They tell me Sally Brown has been A-making eyes at me. Which I, with eyes on Molly Smith, Had no eyes left to see, While Molly's eyes were fixed upon Jim Donaldson, and he

O'erlooked the fact because his gaze
Was fixed on Mary White.
And Mary never noticed, since
Her eyes brought aff their light
From Abner Jacobs, who, in turn,
Could see but Alice Knight.

Sweet Alice was oblivious To Abner's looks, because She had no eyes for gallant swains, Excepting Eddie Hawes, Whereas, he followed Susan Without a stop or pause.

Now. Susan smiled on Herman Lake, And he on Sally Brown. Who's said to set more store by me Than by an Easter gown— And so the luckless lot of us Are chaffed by all the town.—Chicago Journal,

Melancholy Thought.

And the kingly Grover sighs As he settles in Princeton, since His house is full of Princesses, With not a single Prince!

-Chicago Tribune.

TO CURE NERVOUS DYSPEPSIA

To Gain Flesh, to Sleep Well, to Know What Appetite and Good Digestion Mean, Make a Test of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Interesting Experience of an Indian apolis Gentleman.

No trouble is more common or more misinderstood than nervous dyspepsia. People having it think that their nerves are to blame and are surprised that they are not cured by nerve medicine and spring reme-dies; the real seat of the mischief is lost sight of; the stomach is the organ to be ooked after. Nervous dyspeptics often do not have any

Clark & Harvey's Concert Club will give a concert at McGeorge's hall to-night, Doors open at 1:20, curtain rises at 8:15 p. m.

Services every night this week. Preaching by the Rev. J. M. Whitehead, district missionary Northeastern Kansas. Services at 7:30 p. m. Women's meetings at 2 p. m. All are invited.

The Kansas City Journal will be delivered at your door any place on the Scuthwest boulevard and in Rosedale for 10 cents a week or 4s cents a morth. Leave orders at the Rosedale postoffice.

INDEPENDENCE.

Frank Cline Dangeronsly Injured in a Brawl at a Public Ball—No Arrests Made.

There was a dance Monday night at the old Salvation Army hall. About 11:20 o'clock while the dance was in full swing and the three fiddlers were scraping out music with which to inspire the dancers, an altercation took place in the middle of the floor. After some irouble, quilet was restored, but in a few minutes it broke out afresh. This time the fighters got mixed up with the musicians, and a fiddle was smashed into splinters. The last round, however, was disastrous to Frank Cline, who was fearfully beaten up about the head. Yesterday a doctor was summoned to look after his injuries, and pronounced them serious. The police came, but no one was arrested.

William and Caleb Whitehouse were is-

A ROMANCE OF TWO RINGS.

"Carson," I said involuntarily, stooping to knock the ash from my cigar, "perhaps I ought not to ask, although I have known you for nearly three years, but is it usual for a wife to wear two wedding rings?" Dead silence. He had just lowered his violin, after a very soft solo-for it was considerably after munight when I ven-tured that curious question. There had been an evening party and, as I was to stay at the house until morning, Carson's wife had said "good night" and left us to finish our inevitable smoke and talk. His mouth twifehed a little, but it was some time before he retorted in a low tone: "Is it usual for a man under 40 to have hair as white as mine?"
"Well, perhaps not-but I thought you

attributed that to some shock or other. What has that to do with-with the two

attributed that to some shock or other. What has that to do with-with the two rings?

"Everything." He listened at the door for a moment, turned down the lights, and then came and sait down, spreading his hands over the fire. "Two rings? Exactly; one is the ring I put on her finger when I married her; the second was put there by another man-and will stay there as long as the first."

"Never mind now," I said. His voice had trailed off huskily. "I had no idea there was any tragic element behind the fact."

"Trogic? Heavens! It was more than that, Arthur," he whispered, turning up a drawn face. "I never meant to touch upon it, but when you spoke it came back with a rush as vivid as if I had been standing at the mouth of the old north shaft again. And that was six years ago.

"You've heard me speak, at least, of the mine itself-the Jangley mine, in Derbyshire, I had only been assistant surveyor at the pits there for about nine months when it happened. At 9 o'clock that morning, Arthur, three of us stepped into the cage-old Jim Halliday, the foreman; his son Jim, and myself. The men had gone down an hour before. I shall never forget that young Jim's sweetheart had walked over to the pit with him, as she occasionally did. They were to be married in a week or two, and she-and she had on her finger the ring that he had bought in Derby the day before—just for safety's sake, or perhaps out of womanly pride. I recollect that just as the chain clanked and the winter sunshine was disappearing overhead he shouted out a third 'good-by' to her-little dreaming that it was to be 'good-by.' Little enough old Halliday and I thought that days would elapse before we emerged into God's sunlight again."

"A new vein had been bored the year before and then abandoned because it ran in the direction of the river. We three had had instructions to widen it for a space of 300 yards-a piece of work that had occupied us nearly a month. Old Jim picked and young Jim wheeled the coal away to the nearest gallery, from where it was carried over r

shaft.
"Well, by 4 o'clock that afternoon we calculated roughly that we had reached the limit laid down.
"I think it's as near as possible, Mr. Carson,' old Halliday said. 'Jim, give another count; we don't want the water coming in.'

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"Jim went back. We could hear him singing out the paces in his light-hearted fashion as he returned, his voice echoing through the long galleries. "Two-sixty-eight-pooh! you're miles off it, dad!" He was only a score of yards off, though. Two-sixty-nine * * two-seventy-four. It'll allow a full twenty yet, I reckon.

"He had just finished his count when—but there, no man could properly describe it. It was something one had to realize for himself before he could understand a bare half of the sudden terror that whitened our lips and seemed to bring our hearts to a standstill. There was a rumbling in one of the distant galleries and a sickening tremble of the ground underneath us; then—then the most paralyzing sound. I do bethen the most paralyzing sound. I do be-lieve, that is to be heard in this world. How or why it happened is something to be placed among the host of unsolved mys-teries; but there was one grinding, splinter-ing roar as though the earth had split into

Before we could stir hand or foot to "Before we could stir hand or foot to save ourselves—before we could even take in that an explosion had occurred while we were guarding against another sort of danger—down thundered a mass of coal, tons upon tons of it, that blocked up the only passage leading to the shaft. It just reached young Jim; standing where he did, he was struck down—we heard his screech stifled beneath the debris. For about five more seconds the earth seemed to be heaving and threatening universal chaos; then all became as still as a tomb.

"A tomb? We had our lamps; old Jim and I looked and saw that we were cut off from the rest of the world.

"What happened next I hardly know: I was stupefied with the shock, sick with a mortal fear of death. He and I stood staring mutely at each other. The one thing I recollect is that his face was gray as marble and that a line of froth stood on his lips.

"He was the first to come back to sense.

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"He was the first to come back to sense. He gave one choking cry of 'Jim." and staggered forward to that black pile. The boy's hand was sticking out from the bottom of it, clutching convulsively at nothing. I sank down and watched in a sort of dreary fascination, as old Jim, utering strange cries, tore at the mass in a mad frenzy. God help him? Jim was, the only thing he had in the world to love. In less than five minutes he had dragged him out and sat down to hug him in his arms. Dead? No. He could just open his poor, dust filled eyes in answer to his father's whispers, but we knew at once that he would never again make the galleries echo with his piercing whistle.

"For whole hours, I suppose, nelther of us attempted to realize our situation. We sat on in dead slience, waiting for something to happen. Once or twice we saw young Jim's blackened lips move feebly and each time his father would mutter brokenly, 'Ay, my precious boy, we'll look after her!" Once the old man broke out quaveringly into a hymn, 'Abide With Me.' but he got no further than the third line. That, perhaps, was about 8 o'clock, but we could keep no count of the time, as my watch had stopped. Hour after hour must have gone by, and still old Jim sat, with rigid face and staring eyes, clasping his burden. In all probability it was morning above ground before at last he spoke.

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"That roused me. I examined our position carefully. The passage was about eight yards wide at this point, and measured about twenty paces from the end to where that solid wall of coal blocked our path to the outer world. As the bore ran level with the foot of the north shaft we were about forty feet below the clear surface. We had no food and our lamps would burn, say, another five or six hours; while the breathing air, hot and gaseous already, would probably become unendurable before the evening came. That was our situation, and let any man conceive a worse if he can. One slender chance of escape at best was left: Perhaps the entire passage was not blocked and we might force our way to the main gallery. I was no: afraid of death in the way that it comes to most people, but I was afraid to meet and struggle with it there. We sprang to the task, wild at the thought that those few hours of stupor might have made all the difference.

"You can guess what happened, and why, after a long spell of lighting to break through that horrible wall, old Jim threw himself down with a groan and refused to go on. As fast as we loosened one mass, another crashed down in its place; at the end of our desperate attempt we were half choked and blinded with dust, our hands were raw, and we had made scarce any headway. Barely, too, had we given up the work as hopeless when my lamp flickered out, half an hour later old Jim's followed suit.

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worse was to come.

"I think I must have fainted. I do not seem to recollect any more until the moment when I became conscious of my mate's hard breathing over me, and of the fact that his hand was feeling—or, so it seemed—for my throat, I dashed him away, panting under the shock of this new horror.

"Jim. I gasped, 'for heaven's sake, keep sane! If we're to go, let us die like men!

"No answer: I heard him crawling away, and that was all. The dead silence was only broken by a faint trickling sound. Trickling! Yes, I put my hand to the level, and found half au inch of water.

* * And hotter and more stilling grew the atmosphere. Praying hard to myself, I realized now that, should no help come, only a few hours could lie betwixt us—and the end. And then—old Jim might go first, and I should be left. Nay, I was already practically alone; the fear that was slowly whitening my hair had turned old Jim's brain.

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"He suddenly sent up a peal of delirious laughter. Water! Who says water? Why, mates, I'm swimming in it! Here's Why, mates, I'm swimmer ago?

"Presently he began creeping round to find me. I could hear him coming, by his labored respiration, and the swishing of the ooze as he moved. Round and round the space we went stealthily, until at last he made a cunning rush and caught me by the ankles. 'Got him!' He yelled it with a glee that was unmistakable.

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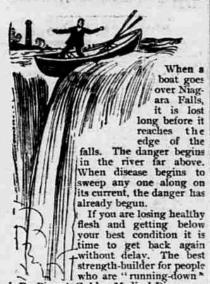
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